



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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The Honorable A. J. Eggenberger
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W. Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter is to notify you of the completion of Commitment 5.5.1 in the Department of Energy (DOE) *Implementation Plan for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 2007-01*, dated October 24, 2007.

Commitment 5.5.1 is to "establish the Non-Destructive Assay (NDA) Technical Support Group (TSG) that is responsible and accountable for the identification and resolution of NDA issues and communication of NDA lessons learned." This commitment is completed. The TSG is fully staffed, a charter governing TSG activities has been approved, and an initial conference call has been completed. A copy of the charter is attached. A face-to-face meeting of the TSG is presently scheduled for August 26- 27, 2008, at the Hanford Site in Richland, Washington. Interested Board staff members are invited to attend this meeting.

The clock for phased commitments in the DOE's Implementation Plan for Recommendation 2007-1, that have timelines initiated by the formation of the TSG, started on July 31, 2008. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (202) 586-9471.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Lagdon".

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Enclosures

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